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First Full-Night of Aerial Mosquito Control Complete

Crews hope to wrap-up spraying operation tonight

(Boise, ID) – Pilots were successful in completing a full night of aerial mosquito control last night over approx. 50,000 acres of specifically designated areas across Ada County. A final round of aerial spraying over the same areas is scheduled to begin again tonight at 9 p.m. and end at approx. 1:30 a.m.

Crews began aerial spraying Monday night but had to cancel the operation due to bad weather, but not before spraying the Hidden Springs planned community, downtown Boise/northend, and a section of Meridian. Those areas received a second consecutive spraying last night, which means those areas WILL NOT be sprayed tonight.

Here are the flight statistics as supplied by aerial applicator Vector Disease Control Incorporated:

# of aircraft deployed:	2
Gallons of pesticide applied:	300
Ounces per acre:	3/4oz
Acres treated:	51,200
Flight start time:	9:00 pm
Flight end time:	12:45 am
Application altitude:	300ft
Application speed:	130kts
Wind speed:	8kts

Newly created maps that clearly show the application areas and the actual flight pattern of each aircraft have been posted on Ada County's website at: www.adaweb.net. Once there, click on the 'West Nile Surveillance / Map' link in the County Spotlight box.

NOTE: Ada County Weed, Pest, and Mosquito Abatement District Director Brian Wilbur will be available for a group interview this morning at 11:00 a.m. at the Ada County Courthouse. Members of the media with questions about last night's operation should meet Brian in the grassy area on the west side of the courthouse.